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INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent by the Union and the State Governments for providing infrastructural support such as establishment of Integrated Cargo Handling, Cold Storage, facilities and concessional credit particularly in U.P., State-wise;

(b) the number of meetings of buyer-seller organised in various states and concessional credit provided for export promotion during last two years; and

(c) the quantum of increase in export of apples and other fruits from Uttar Pradesh in comparision to last year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) Under the Assistance to States for Development of Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE) Scheme financial support is provided to State Governments including Uttar Pradesh for implementing infrastructure projects directly linked to exports. An amount of Rs. 53.59 Crore has been released to Uttar Pradesh under the scheme till date. The selection of projects under the ASIDE Scheme for different sectors including Cargo Handling, Cold Storage etc is made by a State Level Export Promotion Committee (SLEPC) under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary. The details of amount spent by the State Governments on establishment of integrated Cargo Handling, Cold Storage facilities, Concessional Credit , etc. are not centrally maintained.

(b) Buyer-Seller meets for various kinds of products are organized on a regular basis by different Export Promotion Councils and Commodity Boards. Centralized data on the number of meets and concessional credit provided is not maintained.

(c) As per information furnished by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, only Mangoes are exported from Uttar Pradesh. 125 MT and 60 MT of Mangoes had been exported in 2003 and 2004 respectively.